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DANA M. SMITH EXECUTIVE OFFICER **TO:** Local Agency Formation Commission

FROM: Executive Officer

SUBJECT: Settlement and Mutual Release Agreement - Rosenow Spevacek

Group

Background

In June 2002, your Commission approved a contract with the Rosenow Spevacek Group (RSG) to provide consulting services for the Unincorporated Islands Program. The existing contract between LAFCO and RSG is for an amount not-to-exceed \$20,000. The project manager for this contract was Dan Miller. Mr. Miller departed RSG at the beginning of June, 2002 and the project was handed off to other various RSG employees. Under this contract, RSG's primary task was to prepare fiscal analyses for the Anaheim, Huntington Beach, Placentia and Stanton small islands. Additionally, RSG's prepared and mailed public hearing notices on LAFCO's behalf. State law requires LAFCO to notify each registered voter and landowner within island annexation territories plus a surrounding 300 feet radius.

LAFCO staff was made aware that RSG had exceeded the amount of the contract in November of 2002. The cost of the extensive noticing requirements were partially responsible for the contract amount being exceeded. LAFCO staff has met with RSG and we have mutually agreed to the terms of the attached settlement agreement.

Recommendation

Approve the Settlement and Mutual Release Agreement (attached) with Rosenow Spevacek Group for \$10,909.13.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana M. Smith

Attachment